

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**SB 59 – HB 867**

March 24, 2009

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005149):** Authorizes an individual who is not a registered architect or engineer to prepare plans and specifications for signs that do not exceed 20 ft. above ground level or greater than 15 ft. above ground level if the sign is larger than 120 sq. ft. in total face area. These exemptions do not apply if it is determined that a failure of the support system for the sign is likely to cause harm or if the building official requires a registered architect or engineer to prepare plans.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

Decrease State Expenditures – Not Significant/Board of Examiners of Architects and Engineers

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, this bill could result in a small reduction in the number of complaints received by the Board of Examiners of Architects and Engineers. This reduction is considered not significant.
- No impact on the regulatory activities of local government.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all regulatory boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a positive balance of \$451,313.07.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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